



HAWAII KAI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 1

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DRAFT – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2015 HAHAIONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA

CALL TO ORDER: Presiding Officer and Secretary René Garvin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum of 12 members present. Note: This 15-member Board requires eight members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

Board Members Present – Robert Clark, René Garvin, Marian Grey, Natalie Iwasa, Carol Jaxon, Greg Knudsen, Carl Makino, Roberta Mayor, Maxine Rutkowski, Lasha-Lynn Salbosa, Herb Schreiner, and Britney Taamu-Miyashiro.

Board Members Absent – Paige Altonn, Liza Lockard, and Elizabeth Reilly.

Guests – Sen. Sam Slom, Rep. Gene Ward, Tim Houghton (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's representative), Kenny Amazaki (Councilmember Trevor Ozawa's Office), Capt. Randall Lindsey (Honolulu Fire Dept.), Lt. Clifton Sukekane (Honolulu Police Dept.), Rian Adachi (Board of Water Supply), Martijn Guliker and Greg Kerner (Laule'a Kai Estates), Jan Ko, Dick Baker (Friends of Hanauma Bay), Carl Shaad, John Xie, Lena Fong, Mathew Fong, Tanya Torres, Katya Ambrecht (UH Manoa), Sarah Correa, Alexandra Williams, Jaime Martin, David Amodo (DVDmodo), and Jordan Ozaki (Neighborhood Commission Office).

Photo Announcement: Presiding Officer Garvin announced the Board would have a photo taken next month before the meeting.

ELECTION OF CHAIR TO SERVE FROM JULY 1, 2015 to JUNE 30, 2016: Schreiner nominated Greg Knudsen for Chair. Knudsen accepted the nomination. Clark nominated Natalie Iwasa for Chair. Iwasa accepted the nomination. The candidates gave brief statements. The Neighborhood Assistant took a roll call vote. There were six votes for Knudsen (Garvin, Knudsen, Makino, Mayor, Schreiner, and Taamu-Miyashiro) and six votes for Iwasa (Clark, Grey, Iwasa, Jaxon, Salbosa, and Rutkowski). As neither candidate received the required quorum of eight votes, election of the Chair was undetermined.

Presiding Officer Garvin asked if either candidate would like to withdraw their candidacy or if any Board members would like to change their vote. Iwasa withdrew her candidacy in order to facilitate the board's ability to move forward and better serve the community.

After a second roll call, Knudsen was NOT ELECTED, 7-1-4 (Aye: Garvin, Knudsen, Makino, Mayor, Salbosa, Schreiner, and Taamu-Miyashiro; Nay: Clark; Abstain: Grey, Iwasa, Jaxon and Rutkowski).

Presiding Officer Garvin explained that eight votes are needed to elect a chair and a third roll call vote was held.

After a third roll call vote, Knudsen was ELECTED Chair, 8-1-3 (Aye: Garvin, Jaxon, Knudsen, Makino, Mayor, Salbosa, Schreiner, and Taamu-Miyashiro; Nay: Clark; Abstain: Grey, Iwasa, Rutkowski).

Presiding Officer Garvin passed the gavel to Chair Knudsen.

CITY MONTHLY REPORTS

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Captain Randall Lindsey reported the following:

- August 2015 Statistics: There were 2 fires, 81 medical emergencies, 12 search and rescues (6 at Koko Crater, 2 at Kuliouou), 5 hazardous conditions, 31 cancelled calls and 7 false alarms.
- Halloween Safety: Children's costumes should be fireproof with big eyeholes. Carry a flashlight. Parents should supervise whenever candles are used.

Comments followed: Emergency Vehicles: Iwasa noted instances of motorists failing to yield to emergency vehicles at intersections and confirmed with Capt. Lindsey that motorists in the front at a red light can proceed through the intersection, if safe, to allow emergency vehicles to pass. She suggested a re-airing of a public service announcement (PSA) concerning emergency vehicles.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD), District 7: Lieutenant Clifton Sukekane circulated a handout and reported the following:

- August 2015 Statistics: There were 4 motor vehicle thefts, 6 burglaries, 12 thefts, and 31 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMVs), with a total of 6,853 calls for service.
- Halloween Safety Tips: Call HPD if suspicious candy is received.
- Smart911: Cellphones give emergency responders limited information, unlike landlines. Smart911 provides an opportunity to create a safety profile to assist first responders in the event of an emergency. It is a free service that is useful should a person call 911, but be unable to provide any other information. Visit www.smart911.com to create a safety profile associated with your phone.

Comments followed:

- Speeding: Garvin requested that HPD increase patrol of speeding motorists on Lunalilo Home Road.
- Smart911: Lt. Sukekane responded to Iwasa's concerns about information security that Smart911 does not ask for social security numbers, dates of birth, or other sensitive information and that users can choose what information to enter. Chair Knudsen said he registered with Smart911 and commented on the potential to help families with special needs members and pets, and to improve on the accuracy of the Global Positioning System. Clark raised concerns about effectiveness. Lt. Sukekane noted that Smart911 information could improve search and rescue operations. Schreiner noted that it is only a tool for HPD, not a total solution.

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – Rian Adachi reported the following:

- August Water Main Breaks: There was 1 water main break on August 1, 2015 at 259 Anapalau Place.
- Water Emergency Preparedness: Residents should store at least 1 gallon of water per person, per day, for at least 5-7 days. In an emergency, stay tuned to media reports for water information bulletins and take appropriate actions only as announced by BWS. Visit www.boardofwatersupply.com to see a video.

PRESENTATION: Laule'a Kai Estates Development: Martijn Guliker introduced the Kealahou Development, LLC team members and presented on the Laule'a Kai Estates Development. Guliker gave an overview of the development and noted the following: The development will consist of seven two-story single family homes located at the end of Hawaii Kai Drive between the Kalama Valley Shopping Center and the Hawaii Kai Golf Course. The developers are now in the planning and permitting process, with construction planned for 2016. Visit www.lauleakai.com to sign up for news and updates.

Questions, comments, and concerns:

- Traffic Studies: Chair Knudsen asked about traffic studies at the intersection. Guliker replied that DTS determined that the number of cars would be low and recommended that the driveways be oriented towards the shopping center.
- Fencing: Guliker noted for Salbosa that there is a 6-foot fence between the development and the shopping center. Guliker responded for Knudsen that there would also be a fence on the side adjacent to Kealahou Street.
- Parking: Salbosa and Grey asked about parking. Guliker noted that there would be ample parking as each home has a 2-car garage plus 3 driveway spaces. There will be 2-3 guest parking stalls on the shopping center side of the roadway.
- Lot Size: Guliker answered Clark that each lot would be 5,000 square feet and each two-story unit would be 2,400 to 2,700 square feet.
- Safety: Schreiner noted incidences of cars running through the intersection into the empty lot and that proper fencing must be in place to ensure safety of the first house nearest Kealahou St.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative: Tim Houghton, Deputy Director of the Department of Environmental Services (DES), reported the following:

- No Parking Zone: DTS completed its investigation and confirmed that the area on the mauka side of Hawaii Kai Drive is currently a "No Parking Anytime" zone. The "no parking" sign is missing and a work order has been issued to the Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) to replace the missing sign and to install an additional sign.
- Midblock Crosswalk Request: The request for a marked midblock crosswalk near the bus stop, across from 6871 Hawaii Kai Drive, was not approved because the warrants were not met. In addition, a review of the traffic history did not indicate conditions requiring additional traffic control devices at this time. It is recommended that pedestrians use the marked crosswalk at the signalized intersection of Hawaii Kai Drive and Keahole Street.

- Kamiloiki Community Park Sidewalk: DFM and the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) discussed sidewalk repairs and the work will be scheduled by DPR as soon as resources are available.
- Ka Iwi Mauka Purchase: The City is waiting for the Trust for Public Lands (TPL) to submit a conservation easement plan and then it will take 2-3 weeks to review. The conservation easement plan is currently a month overdue.
- Garbage: The garbage on the Costco side of the slope leading down to the Keahole Street Bridge towards the marina waters is on private property and is the responsibility of the property owner.
- Graffiti: The graffiti behind the Kalama Valley Shopping Center will be removed by DFM when practicable.
- No Jumping at Spitting Caves Sign Request: A DPR PK-01 sign was installed at the entrance to the Lumahai Street Beach Right-Of-Way (BROW). No jumping is not an ordinance and so cannot be posted on signage.
- Rooster Increase: The Hawaii Kai Park and Ride has been added to the list of sites to address feral chickens and should be serviced by the end of October 2015.
- Koko Head District Park Programs: There are no planned reductions for Koko Head District Park recreation programs. The breaks that occur between DPR's program periods (spring, summer, and fall) are necessary for the teachers and registration and processing of fees. An arrangement has been worked out allowing continuous aerobics classes.
- Bridge Lights under Marina Bridge: DFM does not have the proper equipment to make the repairs at this time, but is working with the State to see if they can do it within 6 months.

Questions, comments, and concerns:

- Light Repair Assistance: Clark suggested that the City contact the Hawaii Kai Marina Community Association (HKMCA), as they may be able to assist with the repairs under the bridge.
- Removal of Excess Sign Posts: Iwasa asked for an estimated date for the removal of excess sign posts on Lunalilo Home Road since signs were supposed to be consolidated. Houghton will follow up.
- Weed Overgrowth: Rutkowski noted the nice new crosswalk sign on Hawaii Kai Drive. She asked how often weeds are mowed as the weeds across from Costco are quite high.
- Lunalilo Home Road: Schreiner noted no good answers yet on his question regarding crosswalk lines on Lunalilo Home Road. Houghton noted that he has yet to find an answer, but will follow up.

Councilmember Trevor Ozawa: Kenny Amazaki distributed a newsletter and reported the following:

- Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs): Bill 20, allowing ADUs on lots that meet zoning requirements, was adopted by the City Council. This will help with the shortage of affordable housing.
- Real Property Tax Exemptions for Homes: Bill 66, introduced by Councilmember Ozawa, would allow the continuation of home exemptions if the owner occupant moves to a temporary residence.
- Wastewater Systems: The Committee on Public Works, Infrastructure, and Sustainability passed Resolution 15-251, introduced by Councilmember Ozawa, which urges the City administration to implement wastewater system storm event preparation guidelines and standard operating procedures.
- Zoo Sponsorship Bill: Bill 25 relating to zoo sponsorship has advanced to third reading. This bill, introduced by Councilmembers Ozawa and Pine, would allow limited sponsorship at zoo exhibits and facilities.
- Full Council Meeting: The next full council meeting will be October 7, 2015, at Kapolei Hale. The next round of committee hearings will be held October 20-22, 2015.

Questions, comments, and concerns: ADUs in Hawaii Kai: Chair Knudsen requested information on specific applications to Hawaii Kai on ADUs.

Governor David Ige: No representative was present, no report was provided.

Senator Sam Slom: Senator Slom distributed a newsletter and reported the following:

- Rail Cost Overruns: HART is projecting another \$200 million in cost overruns. The first estimate, with routing to UH, was \$3.5 billion and now is at \$6.5 billion, without the UH route. The rail project is using money that should be used for existing infrastructure problems, such as the tunnels.
- State Seeks Affordable Care Act (ACA) Waivers: The Hawaii Health Connector will transition to the federal exchange by October 31, 2016. In January 2016 premiums are expected to increase an average of 40%.
- Tax Modernization: The Department of Taxation projects an additional cost of \$60 million for the tax modernization system overhaul. Lack of oversight of previous contracts leaves legislators skeptical.
- Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO)-NextEra Public Listening Session: The first public "listening session" on the proposed NextEra acquisition of HECO will be on October 27, 2015, at McKinley High School at 6:00 p.m. Neither HECO nor Next Era will be present. Formal hearings will start in November 2015.
- Judicial Appointments: A special session will be held in in late October or early November 2015 to confirm three judicial appointments.

Questions, comments, and concerns: Merger: Salbosa clarified that the newsletter was referring to the HECO/NextEra proposed merger.

Senator Laura Thielen: Senator Thielen was not present at this time; no report was available.

Representative Gene Ward: Representative Ward distributed a newsletter and reported the following:

- National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Proposal: A working group of elected officials has been organized to monitor the NOAA and DLNR discussions. A staff member from U.S. Senator Brian Schatz's office confirmed that the NOAA proposal was presented with minimal consultation from the State. As meetings continue with NOAA and DLNR Chair Suzanne Case, Rep. Ward will provide updates.
- Ka Iwi Coast Run and Walk: Rep. Ward was a strong finisher in his age group for the Ka Iwi Coast Run and Walk.
- Beer and Coffee Summits: The beer summit on October 1, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. at the Kona Brewing Company will feature Ralph Cossa, president of the Pacific Forum CSIS (Center for Strategic and International Studies), discussing the Iranian nuclear deal. The coffee summit will be October 6, 2015, from 5:30 -7:30 p.m. at Zippy's Koko Marina.
- NextEra: Some have proposed a cooperative, but new utility ownership models will not determine pricing. Electricity production costs will determine cost to consumers.

Questions, comments, and concerns: Imua Maunaloa: Garvin noted that members from Imua Maunaloa would like to present to the Board. Rep. Ward acknowledged Imua Maunaloa as a group of organizations working towards grassroots solutions for the bay in response to the NOAA proposal.

Representative Mark Hashem: Representative Hashem was not present; no report was available.

RESIDENT/COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

- Oahu Club Exit: Resident Lena Fong noted the difficulty seeing oncoming traffic when exiting the Oahu Club driveway, due to cars parked close to the driveway. Schreiner suggested the no parking zone be moved back from the driveway.
- Hui Nalu: Jaxon thanked the community for supporting the Hui Nalu Canoe Club for the Ka Iwi Coast Run and stated it was very successful.
- Walk to School Day: Iwasa noted that October 21, 2015, is "Walk to School Day."

BOARD BUSINESS:

Approval of August 25, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes: Without objections, the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board No. 1 August 25, 2015, Regular Meeting Minutes were APPROVED as amended, 12-0-0 (AYE: Clark, Garvin, Grey, Iwasa, Jaxon, Knudsen, Makino, Mayor, Rutkowski, Salbosa, Schreiner and Taamu-Miyashiro; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None). Amendment as follows: Under Guests: "Suyelerhand" should be "Suyderhoud."

Creation of Board Committees and Members and Designation of Committee Chairs by Board Chair: Chair Knudsen deferred this item to the next meeting. He asked that Board members contact him if interested in a particular committee and suggested that committees might meet at 6:00 p.m., before the regular Board meetings, at Hahaione Elementary School.

REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Maxine Rutkowski reported a beginning balance of \$349.06 for August 2015 and expenses of \$27.55, leaving a balance of \$321.50.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Next Regular Board Meeting – The next regular meeting of the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board No. 1 will be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at the Hahaione Elementary School Cafeteria.
- Olelo Viewings: The Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board No. 1 regular meetings are cablecast on Olelo channel 49 on the second Monday of the month at 9:00 p.m. and on the first and third Fridays of the month at 7:00 a.m. Current and past meeting videos can also be seen online at www.olelo.org/olelonet.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Submitted by: Jordan Ozaki, Neighborhood Assistant
Reviewed by: Uyen Vong, Neighborhood Assistant
Reviewed and Finalized by:
Secretary René Garvin and Chairperson Greg Knudsen